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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 28, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application, which Applicant believes will place the application in condition for allowance. In the present response:

**Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and**

**Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.**